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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) Art Unit: 1646
TORIGOE et al.) Examiner: D. Jiang
Appln. No.: 09/786,130) Washington, D.C.
Filed: March 1, 2001) August 7, 2002
For: INTERLEUKIN 18-BINDING) Atty. Docket: TORIGOE=4
PROTEIN...)
Confirmation No. 8207)

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 22, 2002,
primarily in the nature of a requirement for restriction to an
elected species, please amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace claim 2 with new amended claim 2 as
follows below. A marked up version of the amended claim to
show the changes made is attached hereto.

31 *Sub 2* 2 (Amended). The interleukin-18-binding protein of
claim 1, which comprises 4 to 29 contiguous amino acid residues
in the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:1 or 2.